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Response to Amendment

The reply filed on 5/27/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The Amendment filed 5/27/04 is not compliant with 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following items is required. Only the corrected section of the noncompliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e. g. the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicants amendment document must be resubmitted (see 37 CFR 1.121(h). Claim 7 is provided with an improper status identifier. The claim [7] is indicated as "Original" but appears to be amended. Claim 7 also appears to contain an insertion of terms where there is no proper indication that there has been such an insertion (see the word "complementary", for example. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide (37 CFR 1.135)), applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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